GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:791
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Kidnapping of Women and Children
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of cases of kidnapping of women and children have been reported in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the total number of such cases reported, number of women and children traced/untraced, separately during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) the action taken against the organized gangs who trap the children/minors for flesh trade and child labour along with the gangs busted during the said period, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government has identified the reasons behind in such crimes increase and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the details of advisories/guidelines issued to the states in this regard and the other corrective steps taken by the Government to stop such cases in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a) & (b): As per the information provided by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), a total 51,881 cases in 2013, 57,311 cases in 2014 and 59,277 cases in 2015 were registered under kidnapping and abduction of
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women. A total of 38,619 women in 2014 and 44,666 women in 2015 were rescued. A total of 28,167 cases in 2013, 37,854 cases in 2014 and 41,893 cases in 2015 were registered under kidnapping and abduction of children. A total of 27,473 children in 2014 and 32,651 children in 2015 were rescued. The Bureau has started collecting data on victims recovered/unrecovered from kidnapping & abduction since 2014 only. State/UT-wise data is enclosed as Annexure-I, II & III.
(c) to (e): As per the seventh schedule to the Constitution of India `Police` and `Public Order` are State subjects and as such, the primary responsibility of prevention, detection, registration, investigation and prosecution of crime, lies with the State Governments/ Union Territory Administrations. Ministry of Home Affairs has issued Advisories dated 14th July, 2010 regarding "Crime against children", dated 25th June, 2013 regarding "Hon'ble Supreme Court's direction to file FIR in case of Missing Children" and dated 12th May, 2015 regarding "Comprehensive approach towards crimes against women". These advisories are also available on www.mha.nic.in.